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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) An apparatus comprising:

an averaging circuit adapted to provide an averaged channel estimate by performing a time domain averaging and frequency domain averaging on one or more received inputs;

an adaptive equalizer to equalize a received multicarrier symbol based on the averaged channel estimate, and the adaptive equalizer including a mapping block to generate a replica of a transmitted multicarrier symbol for each of a plurality of subcarriers; and

a coarse channel estimator to generate a coarse channel estimate to be input to the averaging circuit, the coarse channel estimator adapted to generate a coarse channel estimate as the received <u>multicarrier</u> symbol divided by the replica of a transmitted <u>multicarrier</u> symbol, per subcarrier.

- 2. (Original) The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the averaging circuit is adapted to provide an averaged channel estimate by performing a time domain averaging and frequency domain averaging on one or more received channel estimates.
- 3. (Original) The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the averaging circuit comprises: a time domain averaging block adapted to perform time domain averaging on a plurality of received channel estimates to generate a time domain averaged channel estimate on a per subcarrier basis;

and a frequency domain averaging block adapted to perform frequency domain averaging on a received time domain averaged channel estimate.

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4. (Original) The apparatus of claim 3 wherein the frequency domain averaging block generates frequency domain averaged channel estimates that are used to update coefficients of the equalizer.

- 5. (Original) The apparatus of claim 3 wherein the time domain averaging block is adapted to perform time domain averaging on a plurality of received channel estimates to generate a time domain averaged channel estimate on a per subcarrier basis using a moving average.
- 6. (Original) The apparatus of claim 3 wherein the time domain averaging block is adapted to perform time domain averaging on a plurality of received channel estimates to generate a time domain averaged channel estimate on a per subcarrier basis using block averaging.

7-9. (Canceled)

- 10. (Original) The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the multicarrier symbol comprises an OFDM symbol.
- 11. (Currently Amended) An apparatus comprising:

an adaptive equalizer to equalize a received <u>multicarrier</u> symbol based on a fine channel estimate, the adaptive equalizer including a mapping block to generate a replica of a transmitted multicarrier symbol for each of a plurality of subcarriers;

a coarse channel estimator to receive the <u>multicarrier</u> symbol replica from the mapping block and a corresponding received <u>multicarrier</u> symbol, the coarse channel estimator to generate a coarse channel estimate as the received <u>multicarrier</u> symbol divided by the replica of a transmitted <u>multicarrier</u> symbol, per subcarrier; and

an averaging circuit adapted to perform time domain averaging on a plurality of coarse channel estimates to generate a time domain averaged channel estimate, and to

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perform frequency domain averaging on the time domain averaged channel estimate to generate the fine channel estimate.

12. (Original) The apparatus of claim 11 wherein the averaging circuit comprises a time domain averaging block and a frequency domain averaging block.

13. (Canceled)

14. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim <u>11</u> 13 wherein the received multicarrier symbol comprises an OFDM symbol.

15. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:

performing a time domain averaging on one or more received inputs to generate a time domain averaged channel estimate on a per subcarrier basis;

performing a frequency domain averaging on the time domain averaged channel estimate to generate a fine channel estimate;

updating equalizer coefficients based upon the fine channel estimate;

generating a replica of a transmitted <u>multicarrier</u> symbol for each of a plurality of subcarriers; and

generating a coarse channel estimate by dividing a received multicarrier symbol by the generated replica of the corresponding transmitted multicarrier symbol.

16. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 15 wherein the performing a time domain averaging comprises:

performing a time domain averaging on a plurality of coarse channel estimates on a per subcarrier basis to generate a time domain averaged channel estimate.

17. (Canceled)

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18. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:

calculating an initial channel estimate based upon one or more received training symbols;

setting equalizer coefficients based upon the initial channel estimate;

performing both time domain averaging and frequency domain averaging on a subsequent calculated channel estimate to generate an averaged channel estimate;

generating a replica of a transmitted <u>multicarrier</u> symbol for each of a plurality of subcarriers;

generating a coarse channel estimate as a received symbol divided by replica of a transmitted <u>multicarrier</u> symbol, per subcarrier; and

updating the equalizer coefficients based upon the averaged channel estimate.